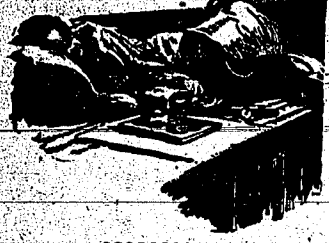






# **OPPIUM TRAFFIC**



The "awakening of China" is to be first of all, an awakening from the opium induced stupor which the country has been trying to throw off at intervals for more than a century. It was in 1805 that the Emperor Kia King ordered that the severest penalties should be inflicted on all who smoked, cultivated or dealt in opium. A short time ago definite news came from Peking that the Chinese government had decided not only to abolish the opium traffic and habit, absolutely, within the next twenty years, but had made public the means by which the much-needed reform is to be brought about, regardless of the financial burdens the reform may entail.

What was not possible 100 years ago, or even fifty years ago, on account of the national and international morals of the periods, probably every government in the world would gladly see realized to-day.

The most promising feature of the campaign against the opium habit is the attitude of the press of China, and of the better elements generally. There does not seem to be a single protest against the philanthropic scheme of the government. A healthy tone is noticed in most influential quarters. For some time persons in China have been speaking with contempt of the government officials addicted to the use of the drug. The best object lesson shown to China for years is the foreign-drilled army, from which the opium habit has been eradicated.

It is with the government officials themselves that the Chinese government will start. All worthless officials, princes, dukes, viceroys and mandarins have been ordered to pledge their word to the imperial government that they are willing to abandon the use of the drug, directly or indirectly, within a stipulated time.

Opium users aged more than five years to be treated leniently, as it is recognized by the government that the habit is a prey for many of them, that it would be equivalent to, ruining their lives if the crop were snatched away. Old officials will be allowed to try the "tapering off" system of reform.

If the younger men are so prone to the habit that they will be unable to do their work during the renaissance era, they will be allowed to substitute others for their duties temporarily.

Shops dealing in opium and opium dens must close their doors within six months. Confirmed opium fiends must be given their medicinal prescriptions gratuitously, so that there will be no financial returns for dealers. All persons, government officials or not, under three score, must decrease their consumption of opium 20 per cent every year, beginning immediately. No poppy is to be cultivated after ten years.

The acreage now under cultivation is to be decreased 10 per cent every year, and, of course, no new land is to be cultivated in the poppy plant. Violation of the rules, as to acreage, will be taken by the government as cause for confiscation of the fields. The amount raised and consumed is to be registered; only registered persons are to be allowed to obtain the drug, and no person must begin the habit.

Altogether there are eleven regulations of the most stringent kind. It has been said that, in a way, they are the most important ever issued for the control of the internal life of the empire. The edict is already in force. The country is stirring in its sleep.

Figures show with only too much plainness the magnitude of the task which China has undertaken. Knowing, for instance, a Chinese city with a population about as large as that of Cambridge, consumes every day about \$4,000 worth of opium. The average wages of a laborer are from 5 to 10 cents a day. Every man, woman and child in the old world town spends a cent a day on opium. It is all equivalent to a laborer earning \$2 a day, spending more than fifty cents a day. The wealthy families in many districts spend more proportionately than the poor. It is related that a boy in a rich family is allowed a dollar a day for the drug. The millionaires have their splendid opium parlors, and the women and children acquire the habit. The product of the poppy plant is the great lever of China.

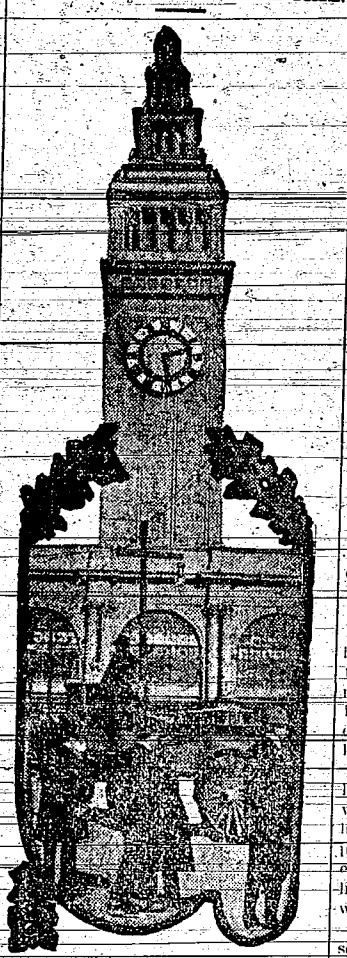
**Legend of the Poppy Plant.**

The poppy plant has been known to man from time immemorial. It did not make its appearance in the flora of China until about the eighth century of the Christian era. But the beginning of the fifteenth century, opium began to be introduced in considerable quantities, and the Chinese government encouraged home production. By the middle of the seventeenth century the use of the drug was widespread.

deceived him, and was not a princess, but merely a risen mouse.

"Let her body remain in the well," he advised. "Fill up the well with earth. Out of her flesh will grow a tree, which shall be called for her 'Poppo,' the poppy tree. From that tree will come a drug, opium, which shall be smoked and eaten till the end of time. The opium swallower or smoker will have one quality of each of the animals to which Postomani was transformed. He will be mischievous like a mouse; ravenous of milk, like a cat; quarrelsome, like a dog; filthy, like an ape; savage, like a bear; and high tempered, like a queen." All the attributes have been possessed by some opium users, and some of them by all.

## **FRISCO'S FERRY CLOCK AGAIN TELLS THE TIME.**



THE ferry clock tower.

San Francisco's great ferry clock tower, which was so badly shaken by the earthquake that it had to be rebuilt, has now been restored and the clock again tells the time. This clock tower is the one typical landmark in San Francisco. By day it can be seen by the thousands of pedestrians in Market street, and by night it tells the time to the sailors on the bay.

## **HIS SKIN LIKE AN ARMOR.**

**Herr Schwarz, One of the Many Genuine Princes of Nature.**

When she is in a frisky mood nature seems to revel in making human beings who are a constant mystery to their fellow creatures. Such a man is Herr Schwarz, the "armored" man, who is such a puzzle to the doctors of Europe.

Herr Schwarz has for some years been undergoing an ossification of the whole of his body and is rapidly developing into the hardness and immobility of a statue. His back has now become rigid, the muscles standing out hard and immovable; in fact, he seems to be enveloped in a kind of armor plating, consisting of surface bone as hard as stone. He is no longer able to move his jaws and is compelled to take food in a liquid form through a tube, some of his teeth having been removed for the purpose. And yet this ossified man enjoys excellent health and not long ago was married to a charming young Berlin woman.

A curious contrast to this indurated man is Herr Stahl, whose bones are so brittle that he can scarcely move without fracturing one of them. By simply stepping off a pavement he has broken a leg more than once; a hearty handshake has broken his arm and a slap on the back not long ago laid him up for weeks with a fractured shoulder. Herr Stahl has numbered only 24 years, yet he counts two fractures for every year he has lived; in fact, as he

humorously says, the only safe place for him is a glass case."

Captain Vetro, an American, is a "freak" of another order, for he can make a hearty meal of poisons which would provide work for quite a large number of undertakers if others were to partake of it. Not long ago in Berlin he sat down to a dinner which consisted of a plate of verdigris, a liberal portion of ultramarine and a "compo" of sulphur and borax, followed by a dessert of white sulphur. These edibles were washed down by a bottle of patent rat killer, made of powdered glass, arsenic and atrophine. This meal he devoured with evident enjoyment, to the amazement of the government officials and doctors who looked on.

William H. Mack is perhaps the only man living who can defy the law of gravitation. Although he weighs but 125 pounds, a dozen strong men cannot raise him an inch from the ground, and an entire football team has failed to push him off the edge of a platform.

## **DO WOLVES EAT MEN?**

**Most of the Yarus to That Effect Declared to Be Fakes.**

A skeptical person, calling himself St. Croix, has been trying to find out whether wolves and bears are mangled by the popular stories of their man-eating ways.

First he tried running down the stories told in newspaper dispatches. Filled with this effort, he turned to the Indians. They knew the gray wolf having wintered and summered with him. Had they ever known of an Indian being killed by one? No, but Mangan was very crafty and very much to be dreaded.

Quite so, but once for all, had he ever to their knowledge killed a man? No, but they had heard of it. So it went; always the same intangible, unconfirmed rumor and the same absence of proof.

"Now for a few facts as to the wolf," writes St. Croix in Recreation. "He can go eight days without food and can then eat forty pounds of meat at a sitting, so the Indians say. This is pretty fair for an animal weighing but eighty pounds. Yet we do not know the length of the sitting."

"The wolf will not venture on glare ice; he never crosses a lake until there is enough snow to hide the ice. To walk on his feet he is as averse as the domestic cat. He will not kill his game in the shelter of the forest, always driving it into some open place for the kill."

"When chasing a deer he goes at a leisurely pace, sitting down at intervals to give the most delicious and blood curdling howls. This drives the deer victim into a wild gallop and soon exhausts it and as the wolf never tires he is sure sooner or later to catch up with the quarry."

"In winter the deer often makes for some wild rapid into which it plunges, knowing that the wolf will not follow. Too often the deer drowns, but better such a death than one by the fangs."

"In summer a couple of wolves will secure all the deer they need by very simple tactics. Having put up the quarry, one wolf drives it by easy stages to some little lake. I speak now of the Laurentian country and on reaching the shore the deer plunges unhesitatingly in, for its instinct tells it the enemy will not dare to follow."

"So on his swiftness, while the pursuer sits on his haunches and howls dismally, no doubt because he sees his dinner sleeping. At length the tired deer drags itself wearily from the water and shakes the drops from its coat on the sun warmed sand. Then the companion wolf, which has layd its coming springs at its throat and when the first wolf joins they have a gorge that makes them independent of fate for a whole week."

## **Aethmetical History.**

A teacher was instructing a class of young pupils in history, says a writer in the Philadelphia Bulletin. She asked one of them how many Wars England fought with Spain.

"Six," the little girl answered.

"Six," repeated the teacher. "Enumerate them, please."

"One, two, three, four, five, six," said the little girl, cheerfully and confidently.

## **Surmounting an Obstacle.**

"Do you know," the poet was asked, "there is no rhyme for 'month'?"

"Get out!" he responded. "What's the matter with this?"

"A note is made for thirty days. And sometimes the indoors pays?"

"What's that got to do with it?"

"Why, you clump thirty days is a month."—Philadelphia Ledger.

The man who takes himself seriously usually makes a woman who doesn't.



Do not whip a frightened horse. It only adds to his fright.

Sheep require a clean place to eat and must have it or else their health will be impaired and food wasted.

Regularity is perhaps more important in feeding sheep than in the case with other animals, for sheep are naturally regular in their habits.

While a small bunch of sheep can be kept on any farm to good advantage, they serve a double purpose, as they enrich the farm and bring a cash income at the same time.

The majority of the high roads in Belgium are now planted with trees along the way to the great pleasure of travelers and to the advantage of the country. In a total distance of 3,770 miles there are no less than 800,000 of these roadside trees. Among them are included 300,000 elms, 170,000 oaks, 70,000 cypresses, 70,000 ash trees and 31,000 maples.

There is no better way of weeding than by allowing them to grow and then a couple of weeks' run of the rape field and then removing the weeds away to some pasturage out of their bearing. The run of a second growth clover pasture and a little grain in conjunction will not come amiss, especially where pure-breed sheep are considered.

Experiments made in France with the sunflower gave a return of 1,775 pounds of seed from an acre, yielding 15 per cent of oil (about 120 pounds) and 80 per cent of cake. The product varies, of course, with the kind, the climate and the soil. The common oil is used chiefly for woolen dressing, lighting and soap-making in Europe. The purified article is largely employed for table use, and is considered by some as equal to olive oil.

For very large hanging baskets the mandarin vine is very satisfactory. It is best not to give it very rich soil; its growth will not be so strong, but the leaves will be closer together, and also be more attractive. Planch it back mercilessly until the basket or trellis is covered with foliage. After that let a few vines grow, allowing some to droop and others to trail up along the wire or strings, suspending the basket. Keep the glass, temperature and the result will be a handsome basket, and a charming plant.

## **Rye for Pasture and Sowing.**

Rye is not half appreciated by the American farmer. It is very hardy, will grow on the poorest land, makes good winter and spring pasture and if sown early enough makes good fall pasture. It is a good early spring sowing crop. It makes a fair quality of hay, it cuts in bloom or before and it always sells at good prices and makes the best of bedding for cattle and horses. It is also an excellent manure crop for turning under in early spring. While it does not add great deal of humus, and thus improves the texture of worn-out soils. It will grow in any section that can grow any of the small grains. Where corn or potatoes or cowpeas are grown after corn, rye may be sown in the corn at the time by "laying by" or may be sown on the stubble after the corn is cut and be plowed under in the spring for any of the crops mentioned.

—W. J. Spillman.

## **Iowa's Dairy Interests.**

According to the twentieth annual report of the Iowa State Dairy Commissioner, H. R. Wright, Iowa shipped out of the State in 1905, using round numbers, 91,000,000 pounds of butter, and in 1906, 98,185,000 pounds. In 1906 Woodbury County shipped the largest number of pounds, amounting to 6,242,000 pounds. The county that shipped the second largest amount was Polk County, viz., 6,138,000 pounds. During the last seven years there has been a gradual increase in the number of pounds of butter shipped out of the State. In 1900 shipments amounted to 71,719,000 pounds, and in 1905 to 93,166,000 pounds. From the standpoint of butter shipments, therefore, the State of Iowa is growing.

In 1905-19, 130 brand separators were used in the State of Iowa, while in 1906, 18,050 were in use. In 1905, 82,708,000 pounds of butter were made in the State of Iowa as compared with 61,200,000 pounds in 1901. In the same manner the number of creamery patrons has increased from 85,000 in 1905 to 91,807 in 1906.

## **Soils for Tomato Raising.**

Almost any soil from sand to clay will produce good crops of tomatoes, says a Maryland bulletin, but here again extremes should be avoided and except under special conditions, such as where very early markets are to be supplied, it will be better to avoid the very light sandy soils. The soil must be in a good state of cultivation. Manures, fertilizers, lime, and the growing of clover or other legumes all help to bring about this condition. If a seed field is to be used, plow in the late fall or early spring and replot, cutting but a shallow furrow, in time to prepare for planting.

Do not plant tomatoes on a piece of land which has had corn upon it the previous year, but rather let corn fol-



low the tomatoes and later wheat or some other grain crop with grass and clover. Many farmers expect to get good tomatoes upon thin, sour land. Blight and disease in unfavorable seasons are always rampant upon such land and the grower becomes discouraged and is convinced that his soil is unsuitable for the crop when, in reality, the failure is due to a condition readily rectified by the application of lime and manure.

## **Labor-Saving in Crop Growing.**

At the meeting of the National Association of Agricultural Implement and Vehicle Manufacturers, the statement was made that in 1830 more than three hours of labor were required for growing a bushel of wheat, but that in 1890 the labor required amounted to less than ten minutes; that a bushel of corn represented four and one-half hours' work in 1850, and forty minutes' work in 1904. Modern machinery plants and harvests crops at a cost of one-half what was paid fifty years ago, though the men who operate the machines receive double the wages. American machinery is being introduced into the Philippines and is a continual wonder to the natives. Last year a steam rice thresher was imported. The natives who used the thresher got so much more grain than those who did not use it that many of them conceived the idea that rice was hidden inside of the separator, and allowed to flow from the spout of the machine.

## **The Logan Berry.**

This hybrid berry, originated some years ago in California, has fair to displace in the markets of the Pacific coast the old Lawson blackberry, and to some extent the red raspberry. The hybrid is a cross between the two, and combines the good qualities of both. It is very popular with housewives, the vines are unusually prolific and propagate readily, and the cultivation on an extensive scale for the markets of the Pacific Northwest is planned. This berry shows a wonderful evolution in the fruit industry within a few years. While the strawberry has been rival as an uncultivated table berry, an abundance of logan berries would make it possible to do without blackberries and raspberries, even including the wild blackberry, without missing them. The development of this berry and the rapidity with which it has come into market would be phenomenal had not the experiment of Luther Burbank in the plant world during the last ten years have made anything possible in this time—Oregonian.

## **Early Green Fodder for Live Stock.**

Corn is an excellent fodder crop, but the best fodder crop is that consisting of small, tender stalks, which are usually juicy and succulent. In order to add to the quality the fodder should be sown thickly in rows, and cut when quite green. Some prefer to cut corn fodder when the corn is in tassels, and others at the time the young corn begins to fill out, when it is cured, stored and fed after being cut into small lengths. It is suggested, however, that corn can be cut when about three feet high and tied in bundles. The advantage of this method is that two crops may be sown the same season, and if properly cured and stored it does not crumble so readily. It is an excellent food for horses, and may be fed in the bundle, or cut into short lengths. Peas answer best early in the season, and are suitable for cattle and sheep. They are usually sown with oats and fed directly from the field to the stock, in the yards under the "rolling" method. Such a crop may be fed and gotten out of the way for a late corn fodder crop, or for turnips. In attempting to grow two crops on the same location, however, the mind must be managed heavily, or it will be injured, though the exhaustion will not be so great as when such crops are allowed to mature and produce seeds.

## **Fertilizers for Potatoes.**

Potash is the principal plant food preferred by the potato crop, and phosphoric acid is likewise an indispensable necessity, that is, so far as tubers are concerned. But the tops are also to be made, for without good growth of vine the difficulty of producing a large yield of tubers will be greatly increased, potash existing largely in the vines. The manure, as stated, should be well rotted, as in that condition it becomes more available as plant food. Proper manure, as all should know, in the tubers, engendering disease and decay; not only while they are in the ground and growing, but also after being harvested and stored away. Chemical fertilizers are better for potatoes than for any other crop, as such fertilizers are surer and cheaper in the end, and conduce to better quality of tubers. For an acre of potatoes, a fair proportion will be about 75 pounds of potash and 200 pounds superphosphate, but these proportions must be varied to suit the soil. The soil is fertile less quantities will suffice, and in other cases the nitrate may be increased if preferred. This fertilizer may be broadcasted on the surface, and after the land has been made ready, and after the potatoes have been covered up. Then go over all with a light harrow, and before the young plants are very high a healthy appearance will denote the telling effects of the fertilizer. Though the use of fertilizer in the hills or rows is preferred by some, before planting the tubers, cut and roll them in plaster. Cut a week before planting and they will speak for the sooner for it. In using paris green for the bugs, let it be mixed with plaster. Wood ashes may also be used liberally on potatoes, broadcasted on the surface. Keep down the grass and weeds, as they rob the potatoes of moisture at all times. Give plenty of room to each plant in which to grow, and keep the cultivator busy.



## **Sunday School.**

LESSON FOR APRIL 21.

Joseph Sold by His Brothers. Gen. 37:5-28.

Golden Text.—For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.—James 3:16.

On the death of Isaac, Jacob became the head of the clan. It would not have been surprising if Esau, who had grown so powerful that he could summon 400 men to his command, had quarreled with Jacob as to who should have the pastures. But Esau seems to have given up completely to Jacob what was regarded as part of the birthright. At any rate, we see that instead of claiming the home pastures as his, Esau took "all his substance" and went into the country from the face of his brother Jacob. For their riches were more than that they might dwell together; and the land wherein they were strangers could not bear them because of their cattle. Thus dwell Esau in Mount Seir; Esau is Edom. Note that the word "cattle" as here used is an old English word equivalent to our "live stock." Also note that the Edomites, descendants of Esau, were the people who Israelites after their escape from Egypt and that the Israelites were taught to regard the Edomites as of close kinship to themselves and to treat them very differently from the nations inhabiting the land of Palestine.

At the time of our lesson Joseph was over seventeen years old. How much over we are not told. When he interpreted Pharaoh's dreams he was thirty years old.

There were at least two reasons why Joseph should have been especially dear to his father. For one thing Rachel was Jacob's dearest wife, the woman whom he had first wanted for a wife and whom Esau had withheld by means of a trick. Esau had sold his birthright to Jacob, and so with the exception of Benjamin, and sometimes there is a close friendship between very young people and very old people that is more sympathetic than between those whose ages are more nearly alike. A notable case of our times was that of Gladstone and his granddaughter, Dorothy Drew.

That "coat of many colors," or of many "pieces" (see marginal reading), or "that long argument with sleeves," as the margin of the R. V. gives it, was perhaps meant as a badge of leadership, or superiority. Very likely Jacob saw that Joseph was really the dearest, and the truest of his sons. Esau, like Jacob, thought of Joseph as destined for a broader life than that of shepherd, and sought to indicate the thought in Joseph's scale of dress.

As for Joseph himself, there may have been some unpleasantness in the fact. It is hard for a person of superior intellect, or force of character, not to seem to know his superiority. And quite often among characters of great power and influence, an insensibility that takes little thought for the sensibilities of others. Especially is this the case in the home where a clever member of the family is regarded with special favor by the parents.

Joseph may have been in a fair way to being a spoiled child when the incident before him he was sent by his father to find out how he was getting on. 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### Can the Philippines be Neutralized.

It is reported from Washington, on apparently serious if not official authority, that the administration has actually begun to feel the pulses of foreign powers to ascertain how they would regard a proposal to establish the Philippine Islands as an independent and neutral state. It is even said that the suggestion is receiving favorable consideration in many international quarters. Before accepting this latter statement it might be just as well to wait for verified facts. Such a proposal by the American government as that mentioned would be nothing more nor less than a request to other powers to take upon their united shoulders a burden which has commenced to chafe our own and that without any sort of compensation for their trouble. So far as the principal European powers are concerned, the Philippines are in a position almost ideal. Their possession by the United States takes them absolutely out of the path the rival ambitions and assures all the great powers that they will never be used as a weapon against any of them. Even Japan could not suggest a disposition of them more advantageous to herself than the existing one. It is doubtful if Spain, who sold them to us for \$20,000,000 would accept them back on any terms.

While the neutrality of the islands might be just as satisfactory to the powers concerned in the Orient, it would not be so easy. It would cost each of them some exertion, and might in the case of Filipino disorders compel them all, or some mandatory of them all, to send troops and fleets there to restore and preserve the peace. It began that way with Egypt but it would not work. England had to take over the job all by herself finally, and that is what would probably happen in the Philippines. England is the only power on earth who has the power to do it in the face of the whole world, and whose statesmen know how to manage such countries properly. That being the case, might it not be better to begin where the affair is likely to end and turn the island over to England at once for a price which England alone can pay—her islands in the West Indies and her colony near the mouth of the Orinoco in South America. In suggesting this solution the other day, we said its realization would clear another great European power off this continent and bring us within sight of the accomplishment of the dream of Mr. Seaward, when no foreign flag would fly anywhere in America between the poles. We expressly excepted Canada, which is to all intents and purposes an independent American republic, with a government as free as our own, and considerably more responsive to the will of her people. It is only a question of time when the silken thread which connects, not binds, her to a European power will be severed with the fullest good will of both.

With her enormous interests in Asia, England should find the Philippines of ten times the value to her empire than her petty colonies in the West Indies and South America are. She should be glad to make the exchange, and it would be much better for the people of the exchanged territory on both sides as well as for the permanent interests of the two governments.—Detroit News.

### Succotash as a Soiling Crop.

In February, 1906, the Experiment Station issued a bulletin written by Prof. R. S. Shaw, on the subject of Succotash as a Soiling Crop. The attention of farmers is called to this bulletin since it suggests various mixtures to be sown early in the spring for use during the summer when the pastures dry up. A weight of forage equal to 12.16 tons per acre was secured from a mixture of grains such as suggested below. Moreover, this weight of forage was secured early in the season, 70 days from the date of sowing. The forage was cut when the oats were badly lodged and the peas in a cooking stage. The mixture sown consisted of oats, peas, rape, clover and corn. The later growth of the clover and rape was fairly good although hindered by the lodging of the first crop. By October first the clover and rape were one foot high.

After the ground had been prepared for seeding a mixture of rape and clover, equal parts, were sown broadcast on the land by hand, using one pint of each to one-third acre. The corn, peas and oats in equal parts, by measure, were then mixed and sown with an ordinary grain drill at the usual depth, which operation covered the rape and clover lightly. The seeding was made on May 1st and the second seeding on another part of the area on May 20th. The second sowing was harvested July 22, 62 days from sowing. The amount of green food removed was equal to 12.62 tons per acre. This material showed by analysis on the fresh basis 1.70% of protein, 6.28% nitrogen free extract and 5% of fat. This mixture or one similar to it is recommended to those farmers who need some crop to supplement their pastures in July and August or early September.

### Johannesburg Jottings.

R. Partridge returned home last week after a week's visit in Saginaw and Bay City.

Wm. Hutchinson went to Newberry last week where he secured a position with E. E. Remington formerly of this place. Billy will be missed by the men around town.

Wm. Rensh had the misfortune to lose a valuable cow and yearling last week. Frozen potatoes and cabbage did not agree with them.

Mrs. Bessie Bied left for Wolverine last week to join her husband, who secured a position there the first of the month.

S. S. Claggett was confined to the house a few days last week with a severe attack of the Grippe. Ralph managed the store during his father's absence.

Theodore Gutridge went to Gaylord last Saturday on business. He will raise potatoes again this summer.

Miss McIntyre, of Saginaw, a niece of R. Partridge will visit here for a few weeks.

Mrs. A. P. W. Becker of Grayling, mother of our banker, came up last Monday to see the baby and have a little visit with Papa and Mamima. Grandma's are always welcome.

Mr. Leon Babbitt and sisters who live down the AuSable river came home with Mr. and Mrs. Stevens last Monday. Their visit was short as they returned the same day.

J. K. Merz made a flying business trip to Saginaw and Bay City last Saturday, returning Monday morning.

The entertainment given by the High School was a complete success in every way. Eighteen dollars was added to the piano fund.

### UNCLE JOSH

#### Lovell's Locals

Benjamin Speidel and family arrived Tuesday morning. Mr. Speidel will superintend the Dickinson ranch. He is here to stay. Mr. Dickinson will be here about the 20 of May and remain with us the greater part of his time.

Mrs. Underhill arrived Friday morning. We were all glad to have our return, who is so kind and pleasant. She carries sunshine where ever she goes.

Mr. C. V. Ferson of Toledo, came up Saturday, and is buying some stock for his ranch. Mr. Ferson is very well pleased with the outlook.

### DAN

The potato situation seems to be pretty dubious, with indications that it will end unusually early. We understand that Starks has already pulled out here and at other points along the line. The remaining dealers, some of whom are preparing to quit, are paying 18c for such stock as they can get orders for, but are not inclined to indulge speculatively at any price. New potatoes from the south are on the markets unusually early and demoralizing the conditions so far as last season's stock is concerned and it looks now as though it will be but a short time that there will be any market at all.—Kalkaska Leader.

### Blizzard Stops all Shipments of Ore.

Escanaba, Mich., April 13.—As a result of a continuous blizzard for two days, all ore shipping operations at the Escanaba docks are suspended. Ore in the dock pockets is frozen solid. Notwithstanding that all docks are filled with boats, not a pound of ore has been run in two days. The temperature is close to zero.

### "Thaw Had no Defense"

Ann Arbor, Mich., April 13.—Prof. Robert E. Bunker, recognized as one of the best law authorities at the U. of M. in lecturing to his class on the Thaw trial, said: "Thaw had not the shadow of a defense under the law. Judged solely on the law there could be nothing else but a conviction. But there are emotions to be appealed to in men and the defense had taken advantage of this. Mr. Delmas staged the defense well. He has shown himself a clever producer of effects, and the staging to produce effects was carried to the extent of designing the costume of the chief witness for the defense when she gave her story to the jury. All special lines of defense as 'emotional insanity' and 'unwritten law' have been all bosh. The defense did the only thing possible, and that was to appeal to the emotions of the jury."

Young as it is 1907 has already piled up a most appalling list of disasters both by land and sea that will make it a record breaker if the pace thus far set is kept up throughout the twelve months of its existence. The railroads especially seem to be under the ban of some sinister immense, one horror following another with such frequency that one hardly becomes familiar with the gruesome details of a smashup on one line before another on some other road supplants it in the public mind. The much vaunted block system in several bad wrecks during the year seem to have proved totally ineffective as preventative of collisions, while too high a rate of speed seems to have been responsible for at least two others. Either our railway systems are becoming too intricate and complicated for safety, or else trains on many roads are being run with a total disregard for the safety of the traveling public.

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Pure Cream of Tartar

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### Firemen's Meeting.

The annual meeting will be held at the town hall Friday evening, April 19, 8 o'clock, standard, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and other business that may properly come before the meeting. Full attendance requested.

M. SIMPSON, Chief.

### Bitten by a Spider.

Through blood poisoning caused by a spider bite, John Washington of Bosqueville, Tex., would have lost his leg, which became a mass of running sores, had he not been persuaded to try Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes: "The first application relieved and four boxes healed all the sores." 25c. Guaranteed at L. Fournier drug-gist.

### Official Report of Board Co. Canvassers

Statement of votes given for Commissioner of Schools of Crawford County, at the last general election, held April 1, 1907.

The whole number of votes cast for the office of County Commissioner of Schools was five hundred and eighty-one. 581 and they were given for the following named persons:  
J. E. Bradley, received four hundred and eighteen votes. 418  
Lucy Ingels, received one hundred and sixty three votes. 163  
Total. 581  
JOHN HANNA, Chairman.  
JAMES J. COLLEN, Sec.  
Board County Canvassers.

### Petit Jurors.

The following jurors have been drawn to serve at the May term of the Circuit Court, for Crawford county:

Maple Forest—Silas Body, Herbert Knibbs, Walter Love, L. C. Huxley and Ed. Cobb.

South Branch—John Fioeter sr., James E. Crane, Charles J. Richardson, Wilson Hickey and George M. Cook.

Beaver Creek—Andrew Mortenson, Alex. Skingsley, George Randall, Frank Taylor and Hans Christenson. Frederic E. J. Brennan, W. J. Callahan, John Palmer, C. E. Wallace and G. S. Barber.

Grayling—Fred Hoelsi sr. Marius Hanson, Charles Clark and Frank Burgess.

### OBITUARY.

Elias Wyckoff died at his home in Traverse City, March 19th, 1907, aged 88 years, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, under the auspices of the local post of the G. A. R., of which he was a member, and followed to his grave by his two daughters and nine grand-children who had been with him in his last days.

Mr. Wyckoff was born at Ulysses, Tompkins Co., N. Y., July 5, 1818. He came to Michigan, locating at Traverse City in 1867, on closing his business in New York after the close of the rebellion, through which he served in Co. H, 161, N. Y. Vol., winning an honorable record. Since that time, he was a resident of this county at Cheney, for nearly twenty years, until his advanced age precluded active business, when he returned to Traverse City, where his grandson, Eugene Medcalf lived. He was well known throughout this section and universally respected. His daughter, Mrs. S. C. Briggs, of Roscommon, has visited him often during the last years of his life and was with him when he ended.

According to Circumstances, A man never talks much about the "sweetness" of a cob pipe so long as he has money to buy cigars.—Topeka Capital.

### BOX SOCIAL

High School Friday Evening, April 19.

#### PROGRAM.

Piano Solo. Laura Mann  
Reading. Nellie Shanahan  
Violin and Piano Solo.  
Agnes Sorenson and Agnes Hanson  
Song. Miss Ohlson  
Reading. Sie Duryea  
Trio. Miss Ohlson, Messrs. Bradley and Grawn.  
Piano Solo. Martha Joseph

### Methodist Church.

Morning services at 10:30 a. m. Subject: "Until he was taken up," or "Forty days between Earth and Heaven."

Sunday School at the close of the morning service.  
Junior League from 3 to 4 P. M.  
Epworth League at 6.  
All are cordially invited.  
Evening services at 7:30. Subject: "The Angel sitting on the stone." All are invited.

### The Price of Health.

"The price of health in a malarious district is just 25 cents; the cost of a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Ella Shotton, of Noland, Ark. New Life Pills cleanse gently and impart new life and vigor to the system. 25c. Satisfaction guaranteed at L. Fournier druggist.

### Presbyterian Church.

Sabbath, April 21st.  
10:30 A. M. Preaching.  
11:30 a. m. Sabbath School.  
6 p. m. C. E. Meeting. Topic: "Wise ways to read wise books." Mrs. Bertha Winslow is the leader.  
7 p. m. Preaching.  
7 p. m. Wednesday evening, midweek prayer meeting.  
You are cordially invited to attend all the meetings.

### How a Child's Life was Saved.

G. A. Baker, Carney, Mich., writes: "My little girl caught a cold that lasted over a year. We employed three doctors, none could help her. She got so weak she could not stand. We used Warner's White Wine of Tar. It cured her. Millions of such cases terminate in consumption. For sale at the Central Drug Store."

### \$100.00 Reward.

\$100.00 REWARD FOR THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF ANYONE CUTTING AND STRAILING TIMBER FROM ANY OF OUR LANDS IN ROSCOMMON OR CRAWFORD COUNTIES, MICHIGAN. REPORT SAME TO CHARLES DWYER, JR., ATTORNEY AT LAW, ROSCOMMON OR MICHIGAN CENTRAL PARK COMPANY, 115 DEARBORN STREET, CHICAGO.

### The Result of Typhoid Fever.

Mrs. E. Ives, of Coldwater, Mich., says: "Typhoid fever left me with a serious trouble with my throat and lungs. Dr. Warner's White Wine of Tar Syrup cured me." For sale at the Central Drug Store.

### Sale of State Tax Lands.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, AUDITOR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.  
Lansing, April 1, 1907.  
Notice is hereby given that certain lands situated in the county of Crawford, bid off to the State for taxes of 1903 and previous years, and described in statements which will be forwarded to the office of the Treasurer of said County, and may be seen at said office previous to the day of sale, will be sold at public auction by said Treasurer, at the County Seat, on the first Tuesday of May next, at the time and place designated for the Annual Tax Sale, if not previously redeemed or cancelled according to law. Said statements contain a full description of each parcel of said lands.  
JAMES B. BRADLEY,  
Auditor General.

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Children should have one natural easy movement of the bowels each day. Laxative Iron-Ox Tablets tone and strengthen the bowels, and stimulate all the little organs to healthy activity. Chocolate coated tablets, easy to take, never gripe or nauseate. 10c, 25c and \$1.00. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

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### The best Laxative for Children

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You know that there are colors which signify sadness, others which indicate happiness—but do you ever stop to think how often people are made sad or glad because of the color?

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## Alabastine

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By having your walls decorated with Alabastine you will make them more artistic, more durable, more sanitary, and will make your home a more cheerful place to live in. Let us show you how easy and economical Alabastine is, and how the different tints and stenciled designs can be combined to produce exactly the effect you want.

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### Local and Neighborhood News.

#### Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year in advance. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondences, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and cannot be considered later.

#### Read Sorenson's new ad.

Attend the box social at the school house, to-morrow evening.

FOR SALE—Garland air tight stove. Apply at this office.

Go to C. J. Hathaway for scientific optical work. Eyes examined free.

Highest market price paid for hides. PYM BROS.

25 lb. pails of International Stock Food \$3.00 at Fournier's Drug Store.

Fine watch repairing done at Hathaway's.

Look up our subscription offers, and arrange for your next year's reading at once.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Forbes are enjoying a visit from his sister, Mrs. A. Northrup of Owosso.

Fresh butter and eggs just received from the country.

H. PETERSEN.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the AVALANCHE office.

If you want a Dinner Set absolutely free, call at the store of Salling, Hanson and Company.

To our advance paid subscribers we will send the New York Tribune Farmer for 50 cents. Regular price \$1.00 and worth five to any progressive farmer.

It is reported that F. S. Burgess is going into the market business again at Wolverine, where he will be associated with Medes Charron.

Prof. Benkleman was shaking hands with old friends here one day last week. He enjoys his new lumber business and his new home at Owosso.

FOR SALE—3 good work horses, one of them a mare with colt, also harness and two good wagons. Inquire of

PETER LARSON.

Conductor Andy Balhoff has had a weeks lay off from his train, by reason of erysipelas, but is said to be recovering nicely.

S. Phelps Jr. has bought the South Side Market, stock and business, and will go it alone. Everybody will wish "Sam" the best of success.

All persons who are ever clamoring for a change, could be fully accommodated here for the last ten days, so far as the weather is concerned.

D. Countryman has moved from the county house, of which he has had charge the past two years, and will live in Mrs. Love's house on Spruce street.

Some one has left a fine pair of gold bowed spectacles in this office. As the lens is too old for our use we would like the owner to call and get them.

It is now advanced as a sober scientific theory that deep and serious thinking is the cause of disease. Notice what a large percentage of us are healthy?

The weather man certainly made a mistake and handed out April in place of March, and then thinking the present was the best time to get it off his hands sent old March along.

The man who purchased the Wolverine Express, or went thru the motions of buying it—abandoned his post last week and for the present Wolverine is without a paper.—Otago Co. News.

Dr. Underhill and wife of Lovell, arrived here from the east last week, the Dr. being very sick on their arrival, and developing a terrible case of erysipelas. He is reported somewhat better, but not yet safely convalescent.

When your pump needs repairing, please call on H. R. Nelson. Jobs promptly and satisfactorily done, charges reasonable. Leave orders at the creamery, south end of red bridge.

APRIL 13th

W. Stewart, ex-supervisor of Beaver was in town Monday, with the storm. He thought it was summer when he left home in the morning but found good January weather here.

Lew Moffitt, formerly a Grayling "Lightning Jerker," now traveling for the Cheboygan Flour Mill Co., was in town Monday in their interest. He is as jolly as ever and a little fatter.

Charles Stannard has had about three months lay off from the railroad on account of LaGrippe and its variations. While not yet able to go back to the train, he begins to walk about town without wabbling, and will soon be all right.

"What a happy world this would be," says the poet, "if life were all June time." If life were all June time, four-fifths of all the people in the world would be mad and unhappy because they couldn't have snowball pudding three times a week for dinner. You can not make happiness with June. June doesn't have anything to do with happiness unless the June time is in your heart.

Mrs. L. Fournier returned Monday from a visit to Arthur at the University at Notre Dame, Ind. and friends in Ohio.

After visiting the scene of the fire Lewis Jensen has decided to rebuild his sawmill at Mangum, near Marquette, that went up in smoke a short time ago.

Wm. Wallace and wife were up from Rosecommon the last of the week for a days' visit. He has engaged as electrician for that village for another year, at an advanced salary, which means that he is giving satisfactory service.

Last week, Frank Tromble, with his Aunt, Mrs. Stevens of Bay City, started for Vancouver Island on the Pacific coast of Canada, where Mrs. Stevens will join her husband in their new home. It will be a grand experience for Frank, whose whole life has been passed in this village. He bears with him the best wishes of our citizens.

Mr. Potter, at Horrigan's Switch, came near losing his house by fire last Sunday. It probably caught from a passing engine, in the roof and burned out about eight by twelve feet but was extinguished by packing snow in front of the fire on the outside and the judicious use of water in the chamber. An April show was a good thing for him.

Nearly every one predicted an early spring but it has just simply turned out the other way. Nearly all the summer birds are here or have been. Poor things, they have had many a cold lunch lately. Well, take it all around we can put up with a little cold far better than getting off the top of our houses in the middle of the night in a boat and then see everything float away, so don't grumble.

Sabbath School was resumed for the summer in Beaver Creek, last Sunday, with an attendance of forty for the first meeting and more to follow. H. E. Moon was elected Superintendent; Miss Margaret Lee, Sec.; Miss Eva Benedict, Treasurer; and T. Webster, Librarian. Mrs. Laura Moon, Mrs. Mary Stewart, Mrs. D. Annis, and Alta Bratt were elected teachers. It was a good beginning and promises good for that community.

According to the present understanding President Roosevelt will reach Lansing, Mich., where he is to make a speech before the students of the Michigan Agricultural college, at 9:50 A. M., on May 31, and leave in the afternoon of the same day for Washington. The President had a talk with Rep. S. W. Smith, of Michigan, who represents President Snyder of the agricultural college, about the trip yesterday.

According to the census reports, 1,750,000 children between the ages of 10 and 15 years, are working for a living in this country, in fields, factories and mines, and as messenger boys. Still we boast of our prosperity, and of our universal education. While our missionary societies are raising funds for the conversion of foreign heathens, what are churches and the little red school house doing for the conversion of our people at home?

If any citizen of the United States is lacking in that kind of wisdom which is to be gathered from the perusal of daily newspapers, he can not possibly excuse himself under the plea of a lack of supply. A recent bulletin published by the census bureau at Washington states that there are 19,624,375 copies of daily newspapers, or one for every four persons, turned out each week day in this country. On Sundays the number printed is 11,539,521. The total amount charged for advertising in 1905 was \$145,531,811. The capital invested in printing and publishing is \$384,021,359.

The most deadly instrument known to mortal man is the human tongue. Dynamite is not in it as a prompter. It is the half trigger of the freer action. It goes on the slightest provocation. It strikes heavier blows than a prize fighter or a mule kicking down hill. It causes more heart aches than a tax collector. A tongue can make a sore spot for years. The crimes chargeable to the tongue are criticism, unkindness, gossip, lying, scandal, malice and hate, the aggregate of sorrow and murder.

It is not easy to learn to keep a household account book all at once. A young husband gave his wife a neat little account book prettily bound and designed to be inviting in appearance. He also gave her fifty dollars and said: "I want you to put it down on this side and on the other side write down the way it goes, and in two weeks I will give you another supply." Two weeks later he asked for the book. "Oh, I have kept that account," said the young matron, "here it is." And on one page was inscribed: "Received from Fred fifty dollars," and on the opposite was the summary. "Spent it all."

A contemporary says that it should be remembered that the newspaper is for everybody and hence must publish something for everybody. If you see something which is of little interest to you, remember "there are others" and that the entire paper is not printed especially for you. The very thing that is dull and uninteresting to you may be the best thing in the paper for some other reader, and other readers have just as much right to be pleased as you have. There are whole pages in the paper that are not of interest to us, but they are to others. A paper which contained but such matter as would interest any particular one of us would have a very limited number of readers. There are many people of many minds and the paper must have something for each.

S. C. Briggs of Rosecommon was transacting business in town Tuesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Osterlander, Wednesday, April 10th a daughter.

Edison Phonographs cleaned, adjusted and repaired. Rates reasonable. April 18-2w F. FREELAND.

As we go to press, Wednesday, the supervisors are in special session organizing for their year's work.

The date of the box Social at the high school has been changed to Friday evening April 19. Read the program.

M. Brenner of Lewiston is opening an establishment over Kraus & Son's store, for cleaning, dyeing and repairing mens clothing.

George Mahon is home for the short vacation of the University. He is looking sprightly as ever and as though his studies were agreeable.

The German professor believes that the day is coming when men can exchange heads with the field of surgery. That seems to be the last hope for some men with plenty of money and no brains.

Ten houses are burned up by slow decay from lack of adequate paint protection, to every one that is destroyed by fire. Preserve your belongings with Pattons Sun Proof Paint. Sold by Sorenson's Furniture Store.

Governor Warner has designated Friday, May 3, as Arbor Day. We hope our citizens will recognize the day, and that all the year they will continue the good work of beautifying our village with trees.

N. P. Buck is pulling the earth from under his block on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Cedar Street. He will move the building east to the street line and put another store on the west side, with full basement under the whole.

"The Woman of Mystery" as presented at the opera house Tuesday evening, by Miss Courtenay Morgan was perhaps the best play ever presented to a Grayling audience, and the best sustained in all its parts, Miss Morgan proving herself a star. The house was crowded, as the play deserved.

An earthquake, exceeding in length of duration that of San Francisco, is reported from Mexico, the 15th. The cities of Chitpancingo, Chitapa and Tlaxita are thought to be destroyed and considerable damage done to the city of Mexico. The whole country is panic stricken and fleeing from the cities.

Married at the residence of David Monfour, in this village, Wednesday, April 10, Joseph H. Collins and Arcella Seymour of Standish, Mich. Justice John J. Niederer officiating. The groom was a former resident of this village, and is now in the employ of the Michelson, Hanson Lumber Co. at Lewiston.

It is reported that the Wolverine Express, the only paper in that bug, has expired by reason of the large advance in paper and lack of advertising patronage. No decent paper can live in a country town at a dollar a year unless it has a fair amount of advertising and job work, to make up the deficiency, or the proprietor holds a county office so he has a place to deposit his salary.

Athletic contests, and championships as well, are not confined entirely to men at the University. Miss Emily Stark, a junior student in the medical department recently excelled the world's record for women in the high jump, held by a Vassar student, by a leap of 4 feet 3 inches. The record however was not allowed to stand, as much as it was made on the fourth trial. Miss Margaret Turner, '08, also put the 6 lb. shot 28 ft. 10 1/2 in., the best that has been done for several years. University News Letter. Miss Stark was a former student of our high school and always lively.

A correspondent writes: "I never took a newspaper that did not pay me more than I paid for it. One time an old friend of mine started a paper way down south and sent a copy to me, and I subscribed just to encourage him, and after a while it published an order to sell a lot at public auction. So I inquired about the lot and told a friend to run it up to \$50. He bid the lot off at \$38, and it sold in less than a month for \$100, so I made \$62 clear by taking the paper. My father told me that when he was a young man he saw a notice in a paper that a school teacher was wanted away off in a distant country, and he went and got the situation and a little girl was sent to him, and after a while she grew up sweet and beautiful and he married her. Now, if he had not taken that paper, what do you think would have become of me? I would have been some other fellow."

You can identify Alabastine by the trade mark, but you can't identify appreciate all the reasons why you should identify it unless you call at our store and let us show you the Alabastine Portfolio of Price Designer. Alabastine is a sanitary wall covering that secures simply wonderful results in a wonderful single way.

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## Honest Carpets!



We have them in Brussels, Axminsters, Velvets, Ingrains, and Granites.

Every kind at the right prices. Always glad to show.

## Jap Matting Rugs.

Just what you want for the bed room. Clean and sanitary. Can be washed and will not gather dust.

Any of the above articles are for the inside. For the outside use

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## SLEEPY EYE FLOUR

Superior to any other Brand.

## CONNINE & CO.

## The Boom Continues!

Lots sold on monthly payments.

Brink's Addition on the South side had more dwelling houses built on it in the past two years than any other two additions in the village of Grayling.

Don't Pay Rent! Get Yourself a Home!

TERMS TO SUIT PURCHASER.

W. F. BRINK.

## THE REASON WHY

we guarantee every pound of dairy butter is because we know how, where and when it was made. Large shipment just received. Try it

## THE REASON WHY

our teas and coffees satisfy the most particular, is due to the fact that we have the finest grown.

Japan teas.....28, 40, 50c per lb.  
Ooo Long (Formosa).....75c  
Cryton.....50c  
Young Hyson (uncolored).....50c  
Coffees.....18, 20, 25, 35, 50c

ASK FOR SAMPLES.

## South Side Market.

## Woodmen Pins, lots of them

Just in, a large assortment of

## Solid Gold Rings.

## South Bend

The watch that beats them all.

Be sure to see them before you buy, as I strictly guarantee them; also Elgin, Waltham, Hampden and Hamilton. You should see my railroad watches, only the best.

Do your eyes need attention? I am here every day. Stop and THINK what that means.

C. J. HATHAWAY,

Graduate Optician, Watchmaker and Jeweler.

## BOYS

## Confirmation Suits.

Our spring line of Boys Suits surpasses anything we have ever before shown. A large variety in the latest patterns and colors. We wish to call every Boys' Mothers attention to our new suits. Every suit has an extra pair of pants and cap of same material. It is a common fact that a boy will wear out at least two pair of pants to one coat. The extra pair of pants will cost you no more than a regular two-piece suit.

The line is now complete, and the earlier you come the better the selection.

The Queen Quality Oxfords

for women are here. In matter of dress it is instinctive in women to demand variety and

newness. That the Queen Quality makers have caught the secret of appealing to this feminine instinct the tremendous and constantly increasing popularity of the Queen Quality Shoe most certainly proves. No other ready-made shoe can give you the precise beautiful fit you get in Queen Quality.

## Summer Clothes for Men.

It may seem a little early to stock up on your Summer Clothes but a week, or even two or three weeks earlier, not only gives you a chance of being better fitted, but also gives you a large selection of materials.

Our entire line is now in, including Suits, Top-Coats, Shoes, and Oxfords, Dress-Shirts and Negligee Shirts, Neckwear and Hats and Caps.



## Grayling Mercantile Co.,

Drugs. Patent Medicines.

## Central Drug Store

## "Fishing Tackles

Thats fit for

## FISHING"

We have the best of everything that the Fishermen need.

Bring us your Family Receipts. Prescription Work a Specialty

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Cheap Freight Rates to all Western Points.

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## Spring Tonic

And Blood Purifier.

Spring is the most seasonable time of the year to take Blood Purifiers. Our Compound Extract of Sarsaparilla, combined with the Iodide of Potassium and Iodide of Iron can not be excelled as a Spring Tonic and Blood Purifier.

100 Doses for one Dollar.

## FOURNIER'S DRUG STORE,

THE OLD RELIABLE.







## Michigan State News

### PLAN MODEL MINING TOWN.

#### Work Is Begun In Virgin Forest Near Negaunee.

Where there is now a virgin forest the Cleveland Iron Company has commenced the work of laying out a new town in the Soudan district that in a few years will become an important mining center. It is the intention to found a model community, patterned somewhat after the new city of Coleraine, which the Steel corporation is establishing at the western end of the Mesabi region in Minnesota, and as a step in that direction the Boston landscape architect firm of which Warren H. Manning is the head has been commissioned to supervise in planning the town. Building work will not commence for some weeks and in the meantime the streets will be laid out and other preliminaries disposed of. The town will be convenient to three new mines of the company—the Pine-ton, Austin and Smith—and with other properties likely to be opened in the same vicinity there is assurance of substantial growth.

### ABDUCTOR ON SPIRITLY LATE.

#### Machinery of Launch in Which Are Two Men Gives Way.

Frank Soderus, of Muskegon—and Charles A. Kessel, of Charlevoix—had a narrow escape in a stormy night when they were going from Muskegon to Charlevoix by launch. The launch, which was being towed by a tug, broke down off Muskegon harbor. After the machinery gave way the tug carried the launch rapidly out into the lake. Just before dark the plight of the two men was discovered by the lookout on the life-saving station and a heavy call was sent to the tug. By the time steam had been gotten up on the tug darkness covered the lake and it was only after several hours' search in the heavy sea that the disabled launch was found. The boat was nearly full of water when the rescuers arrived and in a short time would have gone to the bottom.

### TUSCULA VILLAGE THREATENED.

#### Firebug Sets Fire to Odd Fellow's Hall—Partially Destroyed.

Another attempt to destroy Tuscola village was discovered at noon the other day. The residents noticed flames issuing from Odd Fellow's temple, which was formerly the Hopkins hotel, the oldest building in the neighborhood. The blaze was extinguished by a bucket brigade, but not before the southeast end of the building had been ruined. It is believed the fire was set during the night, as no one was seen about the building during the day. The loss falls on Mother Lodge, I. O. O. F., the oldest lodge in the county. Two weeks previously a house and a hotel barn were set on fire the same night. The main building was made to burn the hotel. The town is all stirred up over the matter, fearing the destruction of the place by fire at any time.

### FUNERAL OF "CORPSE" ALIVE.

#### Michigan Man, "Dead" Eight Days, Resurrected.

The burial of Ernest Gustaf of Madison has been postponed indefinitely, and his father says it will not take place until decomposition sets in. Although it is several days since "died," according to the doctors, the body still retains its vitality. The other night it was taken from the coffin and tested by a physician. The jaws and arms were moved and the body was placed in the coffin immediately. It was applied to one foot and the foot blurted like that of a live person. When the body was laid with the head hanging down, the blood could be seen to rush to the ears.

### SECOND CHILD INJURED.

#### Charles Williams and Wife in Bad City, Are Struck by Car.

On a recent Saturday morning a four-year-old son of Charles Williams of Bay City died of loss of blood, physicians being unable to stop the flow from a wound in the roof of the child's mouth caused by falling upon a hook. Monday morning a seven-year-old son tripped upon a stick while playing on the street and fell. The point of the stick penetrated the child's stomach, and physicians announced that the child was dying. When found his life blood poisoning having developed.

### BODY OF BABE FOUND.

#### Grand Rapids Officers Believe Child Victim of Foul Play.

In the abandoned stone quarry at Eleventh and Division streets, Grand Rapids, partially filled with stagnant water and all around of dirt and rubble, the body of a newborn babe was found. A woman was about to dump a quantity of rubbish upon the embankment when she noticed the twisted little form lying half submerged in the water. Foul play is suspected.

### Woman Takes Landlady.

#### Mrs. William W. Morrison Attempted Suicide in Kalamazoo by Taking Landlady.

She is in a critical condition. The woman and her husband had been quarreling and she had only \$12.00. Merkle was a single man and boarded. He did not have a relative in this country, coming here from Switzerland about twenty-five years ago. Because he had a running sore on one leg and went to the county house for treatment a year ago he thought people looked down upon him.

### Lives with Severed Windpipe.

#### John Boyle, Escanaba Woodman, Cut His Throat but Is Alive.

The wound was severe but prompt medical aid probably will save his life.

### Richard Farmer Hanged Himself.

#### Frank Clark, a Prominent Farmer Living in Richland township, Hanged Himself While Dependent on His Intemperate Habits.

Clark went to the woods in the rear of his house and tied a rope over a limb. His neck was broken. Clark was 40 years old and leaves a widow and one son.

### Detroit Ice Men Lower Price.

#### Large Stocks of Natural Ice and the Prospective Competition of Artificial Ice Have Led the Detroit Companies to Voluntarily Reduce the Price of Ice for This Season about 42 Percent Under Last Year.

Seven twenty-five pound pieces per week will cost the householder \$2 per month.

### Will Plow by Steam.

#### A. M. Todd Has Determined to Use the Traction Engine on His Peppermint Farm in Allegan county, and Has Placed an Order for an Engine with Tires Five Feet Wide.

The engine will pull twenty plows and will break thirty acres of land daily.

## NEW PRAYER CHAIN.

### Religious Enthusiasm Is Making Trouble for Postoffice Department.

Some religious enthusiasts in Michigan whose name and place of residence are not given by the officials of the Postoffice Department have broken out afresh in their endeavor to start a "prayer chain." The postal authorities thought, they had effectively split the chain some time ago, but the religious fever has gotten the better of the Michigan man and he does not propose that the cause he represents shall be allowed to smolder, accordingly a perfect avalanche of letters have been pouring into the postoffice of the country, which the postal officials are endeavoring to put a stop. The starter of the chain has adopted the mail order method of business to the furtherance of piety, or, in other words, the furtherance of the overburdened mail man are taken into consideration. The officials of the Postoffice Department are helpless in their effort to stop the sending of the letters written by the Michigan man. The only thing they can do is to appeal to the wisdom of the American people to bring it to a stop.

### CUPID ROBS NAVY.

#### Michigan Student Keeps Wedding Secret Until After Graduation.

Prefering a bride to a post in the navy, Earl P. Ordway, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ordway of Battle Creek, announced his marriage to Miss Helen Marjorie Anderson, a niece of Mrs. Charles L. Post. The wedding was quietly celebrated in New York City several months ago. Ordway, being anxious to graduate from Annapolis before allowing his relatives to know of the romance. After spending a few days in Battle Creek Ordway will return to the naval academy, where he has a position in the mechanical drawing department. The bride's father is a New York physician.

### Hold Up and Beat Farmer.

E. G. Sherman, a retired farmer of Benton Harbor, was robbed of \$38 and severely beaten while seeing the sights in Chicago in the company of a negro, whose acquaintance he had formed on a train on which he went to the city. Sherman was left lying senseless on the sidewalk at Thirty-fourth street and Aramont avenue, where he had been beaten by the negro and another man who joined them while they were seeing the district.

### Indicted for Fatal Crash.

Walter charging manslaughter were indicted by Justice Stein in Detroit for Gateways Leonard Zapf and Street Railway Conductor John Kiskane, who were found criminally negligent by the coroner in connection with the recent collision between a Fourteenth avenue street car and a Michigan Central train, in which James P. Smith was killed and a dozen people injured.

### President's Michigan Trip Short.

It has been announced that President Roosevelt is to reach Lansing where he is to make a speech before the students of the Michigan Agricultural College, at 4:30 a. m. on May 31. He will leave for the afternoon of the same day for Washington.

### Within Our Borders.

By just one vote, Charles decided to over a \$10,000 school building. It was an exciting contest, the vote being 52 in favor and 41 against the proposition.

W. W. Smith, a farm hand of Bath, while walking on the Michigan Central tracks, was killed by a passenger train. He was 42 years of age and unmarried.

That the city of Kalamazoo may have the advantage of the large water tower at the Michigan asylum for the insane and the latter the pressure from the city, both water works systems were connected in three places during the week.

The body of a man dressed well with money, jewelry and watch, was found in a river near the city of Battle Creek. The man was found floating in the river. The body was found floating in the river.

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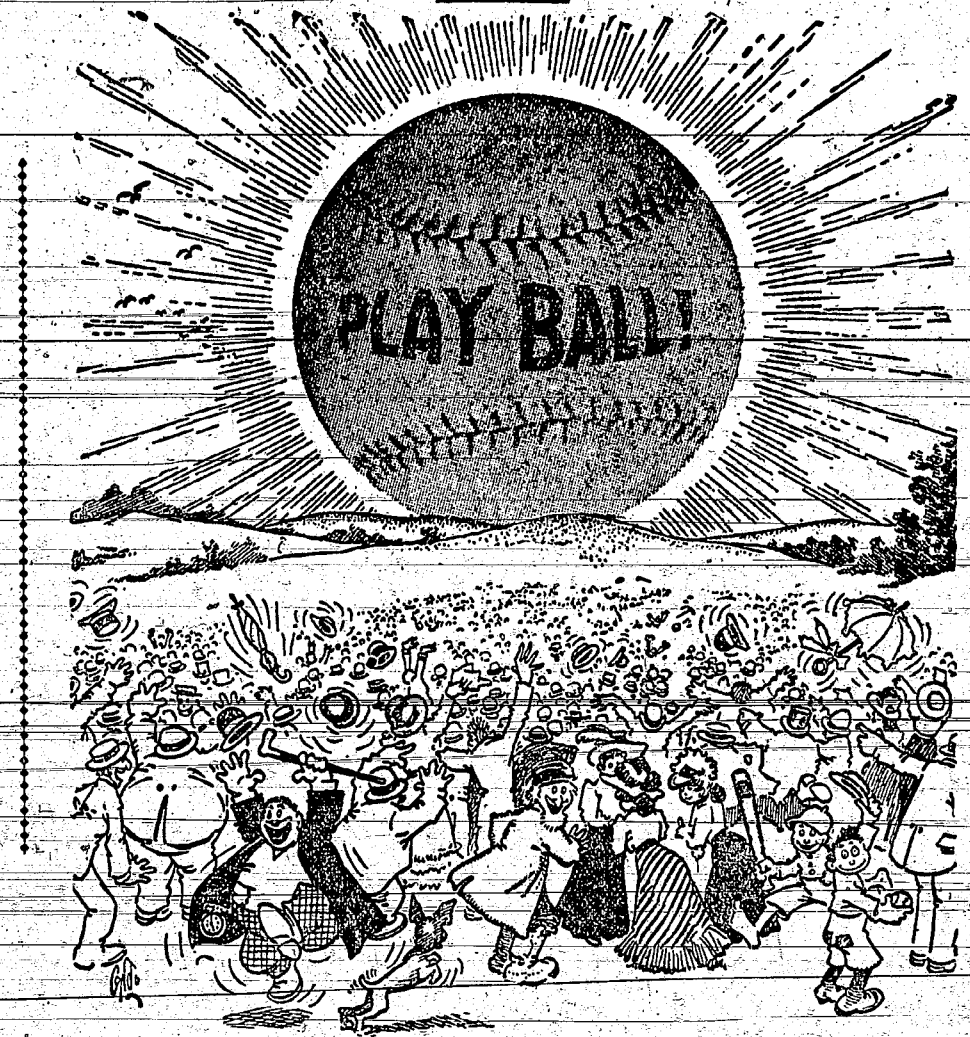
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## THE SUN RISES AGAIN!



### ISLE OF PINES CUBA'S.

#### Supreme Court Decides It Is Not American Territory.

The Isle of Pines is not American territory. The United States Supreme Court so formally declared in a decision announced by Chief Justice Fuller. This decision by the highest court of the United States apparently disposes of the question of the ownership of the Isle of Pines once and for all. The treaty between this country and Cuba has not been ratified. Owing to the decision of the Supreme Court it hardly needs to be said, however, because both of the other branches of the government, executive and legislative, are necessarily bound by the action of the court, and could take no action to separate the Isle of Pines from the parent republic of Cuba except by an act of war. So far as the United States is concerned, it has judicially yielded possession of the island to Cuba, and it could not regain possession except by force.

This disposes of a troublesome question which has disturbed this country and Cuba almost ever since the Spanish war. There are several hundred Americans on the Isle of Pines. There are several thousand American citizens who were induced to buy property in the island under the belief that it was territory of the United States, and that it was to be treated in the same way as Porto Rico.

This dispute over the ownership of the Isle of Pines dates back to the treaty of peace which was negotiated at Paris after the war with Spain. This treaty provided in Article 1, that "Spain relinquishes claim of sovereignty over and title to Cuba." In the second article of the treaty it was provided that "Spain cedes to the United States the island of Porto Rico and other islands under Spanish sovereignty in the West Indies, and the island of Guam in the Marianas or Ladrones." The Philippines were disposed of in a separate paragraph.

There is scarcely any doubt of the fact that at the beginning, at least, the Isle of Pines was either forgotten or treated as an integral part of the island of Cuba, to the government of which it was always attached under Spanish rule.

### NIGHT RIDERS DESTROY CROP.

#### Kuklux Methods Revived in Fight Against Tobacco Trust.

Instead of a tobacco war, real war with shooting and bloodshed is liable to grow out of the strained situation in western Kentucky over the tobacco fight. So-called independent or unorganized growers are tired of having their tobacco crops dynamited or burned and their beds of seedlings destroyed by night riders, and are open to their threats to begin reprisals. Damage to the extent of hundreds of thousands of dollars has been done in the last few months by methods of the kuklux.

All this is because certain tobacco growers refuse to band themselves with organizations which are fighting the tobacco trust by holding their tobacco at an upset price. There is deep resentment against the trust. To deal openly with it in violation of the organized growers' program invites midnight outrages. The authorities are becoming alarmed at the prospect of a more serious situation as the result of prolonged lawlessness.

The State government has been repeatedly called upon to afford protection, but has only caused the arrest of three or four incendiaries. The State fire marshal has made repeated visits to the district without being able to check the outrages, which are committed almost publicly by mounted bands of men.

This is the planting season, and night riders are out burning tobacco fields, setting fires to the tobacco nursery beds, or sowing them with salt, or raking them over, ruining the very foundation of some little farmer's hopes of a crop this year.

Progress of Peace Conference. Russian ambassador at Washington has transmitted to Secretary of State Root the message from the Czar's government, containing the reservation, made by the various powers invited to participate in The Hague conference. All of the governments have accepted the invitation, but in so accepting have stipulated as to what subjects they may propose for discussion.

### GOVERNOR SAVES AGGIE MYERS' NECK.



AGGIE MYERS.

The sentence of Mrs. Myers to life in prison, then by hanging her, in the Hoffman case, he said, similar facts to those in the Myers case exist, and for that reason he also commuted Hoffman's sentence to life imprisonment.

The woman had been divorced before she married Myers. After her marriage to Myers she fell in love with Hoffman, and they conspired to murder Myers so they could get married. She admitted him to the house after midnight and directed him to the bedroom where Myers lay asleep. Myers arose in bed when Hoffman struck him with a club. The men clinched, and the woman came to Hoffman's aid. Mrs. Myers beat her husband with a bed slit and stabbed him with a pair of scissors. As he tried to her, "Help me, Aggie, help me," she slashed him nine times across the face, throat and chest with a razor.

In a message to the Secretary of State relative to the action in commuting the sentence of Governor Folk states that he believes that public morals will be better served by commuting.

From Far and Near. The body of Miss Ida A. Cooper was found in a creek at Norwalk, Ohio. It is believed she committed suicide.

An incendiary fire destroyed the city fire station and city electric light plant at Grand Forks, N. D., causing a loss of \$50,000.

A communication has been handed to the Sultan of Morocco by the foreign representatives urging that the slave trade in Morocco be stopped.

The entire appointment of legislative districts made by the last New York Legislature is overthrown by an unconstitutional and void by the Court of Appeals.

Miss Mabel T. Boardman and Surgeon General O'Reilly of the army will be among the American delegates to the international Red Cross congress which will open in London June 10.

The Plaza at the Manhattan end of the new Manhattan bridge, New York, running from Canal street and the Bowery to the bridge, will be called Cleveland place in honor of the ex-President.

A petition for a writ of habeas corpus was filed at St. Louis in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals on behalf of George W. Rickman, formerly captain of the Twenty-fifth Illinois State Infantry, who is now serving a two-year sentence in the penitentiary at Port Leavenworth.

An explosion in the plant of the Baird Machinery Company, Pittsburg, set fire to the building and the flames spread to the Simmonds Manufacturing Company, Brown & Zortman Machinery Company, and a number of small dwellings, all of which were burned. The loss will exceed \$250,000.

### THE AUTOMOBILE TRADE.

#### Factories Working Overtime and Wall Street Slump Has No Effect.

In spite of the slump in Wall street the automobile industry, which one might expect to show the effects of never more flourishing than at present. The greatest trouble of the makers is not obtaining orders but getting raw material. It is estimated that this year there will be made something like 22,000 cars of the four-cylinder type, with a demand for the full product. Even more than this of smaller cars will be made, and costing about \$1,000. One plant in Detroit is shipping an average of 42 machines per day.

Michigan is the banner automobile producing State. In 1900 not a single factory was reported in this State, whereas last year the figures showed that there were 111 in the number of cars produced. This amount of money paid for them, the number of people employed and the amount of money involved in the automobile trade and its adjuncts.

The annual report of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company shows net earnings of \$24,000,000, an increase of nearly \$3,000,000 over those of the preceding year. The net earnings were \$12,070,937, which means an earning of 8.17 per cent on the \$148,681,000 of capital stock. The net output of telephones in the year was 1,409,578, making a total of 7,107,536 in the hands of operating companies. The total number of calls shows about six for each man, woman and child in the United States. The maintenance and reconstruction of all the Bell lines cost nearly \$35,000,000. President Fish says that the recent improvement in cables makes it possible to place in underground conduits cables containing 400 or even 600 circuits, while a pole line can carry 600 pairs of wires in the form of cables, as compared with the old-fashioned pole, which carries only twenty pairs.

## BALL SEASON IS ON.

### GAME OPENS IN SEVEN BIG LEAGUE CITIES.

Shivering, but enthusiastic fans everywhere welcome the return of the National Sport—Close Contests the Rule in Opening Games.

Thursday afternoon the gladsome cry "Play ball!" went up nearly every large city between Plymouth Rock and the Mississippi River and between the Great Lakes and the Ohio, and the Titanic struggle for supremacy in the two great leagues for the season of 1907 was on.

In Chicago the pennant-winning Cubs of the National League, who broke all records for the number of games won last year, delighted the hearts of 8,000 faithful fans by defeating the St. Louis Cardinals by a score of 6 to 1.

In St. Louis the world-famous world's champion Chicago White Sox of the American League went down to defeat at the hands of the Browns and laid some Nick Altrock bowed his head in sorrow at the supremacy of Harry Howell, the premier left-baller. The score was 1 to 0.

In only one city was the opening game postponed—in Boston, where, on account of recent heavy rains, the grounds were impassable and play impossible.

In New York the Giants got into a row, as usual, and forfeited the game to Philadelphia at the end of the eighth inning, when they were already badly beaten.

At Detroit Napoleon Lajoie and his gallant crew went down before the onslaughts of the Tigers.

The Athletics and Boston pulled off the prize stunt of the day by playing fourteen innings, before the Boston team finally won out, 8 to 4.

At Cincinnati notwithstanding the cold weather and the traces of snow which still remained, the Cincinnati team broke all precedents by winning the opening game, the Pirates being the victims of this remarkable reversal of form.

In Washington, much to their sorrow, the Senators entertained Clark Griffiths, New York Highlanders and lost.

Everywhere the attendance was good. The eager fans, who had been awaiting the day impatiently, turned out by the thousands to witness the opening fray and silvered with delight quite as much as they did from the cold when finally, after months of yearning, the command to play was given.

All of the big league teams have trained more extensively this season than ever before and a heartier, huskier, happier lot of athletes it would be impossible to find on the face of the globe than the gallant crews who will battle against one another for the baseball honors of the world during the season of 1907.

It is reported from Chicago that the Pennsylvania railroad, in addition to a 10 per cent increase in wages, has made arrangements to increase the pension fund from \$300,000 to \$600,000.

The annual report of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company of New York City shows that during 1906 the number of passengers carried on the subway and elevated roads was 420,302,398, an increase of 10,000,000 over the preceding year.

In the United States Circuit Court at Montgomery, Ala., the railroad operated within the State brought suit to prevent the execution of certain laws passed by the Legislature of that State, and to prevent the collection of certain taxes and rates. It is alleged that those rates would be confiscatory, and that they force service for which no adequate return is made.

A special committee of the Pennsylvania railroad management has reported in favor of a comprehensive plan to substitute all steel for wooden passenger cars on the entire system within the next three years, and it is proposed to buy and construct 2,000 all-steel passenger cars, which will make a complete replacement of the wooden cars now in use. The cost of an all-steel car, such as is contemplated, is \$15,000, or about twice that of the present wooden car. This will make the new equipment bill come to about \$30,000,000. The plan is to have the steel cars for every train which will be operated into the New York tunnel terminal, beginning with the first of the year. The railroad company will be required to provide 500 steel sleeping and parlor cars at a cost of \$50,000 each. It appears that the tunnel will be operated by such high voltage electric power as to make the use of wooden cars dangerous.

Western railroads have definitely decided upon a date for lengthening the schedules of their fast trains and on June 1 all trains will be slowed down. This announcement comes from Union Pacific headquarters in Omaha and is the result of a conference between the general passenger agents of the roads involved. Those in the agreement are the Union Pacific, Rock Island, Northwestern, Great Northern, Northern Pacific and the Burlington. Other roads are expected to subscribe to the agreement, which was made necessary by the cutting of rates by western legislatures.

With New York Central officials aboard a train, the exact counterpart of the Brewster express, which was wrecked on the Harlem branch, Feb. 16, killing 24 and injuring 127 persons, and with the same motorman at the controls, was run over the same curve recently where the wreck occurred. This was done to throw some light on the cause of the disaster, and the test train was run past the danger point at speeds varying from forty to seventy miles an hour. To duplicate the weight of the passenger train, heavy loads were placed in the cars, and the same motorman was used. The only change in the test since the wreck was the double taking of the outer rails.

## MICHIGAN LAWMAKERS

### Institutions Ask Many Millions.

On a rough estimate the appropriations asked for this session by the State institutions exceeds the requests of two years ago by \$2,000,000. There must be a slashing in expenditures. The institutions are getting so big that some plan will have to be devised in order to keep a closer supervision on the demands made for money for new buildings and repairs. Acting on the suggestion of Warden Russell of the Marquette prison, Representative Ward, chairman of the House ways and means committee, will recommend to the House that the system be followed in providing funds for construction and repairs asked for by the various institutions. The custom has always been for each institution to prepare a list of items wanted. They are either rejected or allowed. If allowed, the money is turned over to the institution, to be expended by that institution, and in consequence the State loses all direct supervision. The more important fact is that this plan has led to gross abuses in the way of extravagance in order that no money be turned back into the State treasury. Warden Russell's plan is that all items allowed for construction and repairs should be turned over to the auditor general and distributed by him on vouchers presented by the various institutions for actual expenditures.

### Two-Cent Fares Assured.

Following the passage of the 2-cent railroad fare bill by the House Thursday the members began singing "Michigan, My Michigan," and business was suspended while the demonstration continued. The railroads sought to amend the bill in the House, but failed to get it before the Senate, where the majority is in favor of 2-cent fares was very small. The administration supporters, however, resisted every attempt to amend the bill, and it was finally passed by a vote of 91 to 1. Experience of Wayne alone voted against the measure. The bill also passed provision for a 2-cent fare on all lower peninsula railroads having passenger earnings of over \$1,200 per mile per year. 4 cents per mile being allowed all roads whose earnings are below the amount named. Upper peninsula railroads are permitted to charge 3 cents per mile, the present rate being 4 cents. The main line of the Michigan Central and Grand Trunk railroads are exempted. Under the new law the Pere Marquette, the Grand Rapids and Indiana, Ann Arbor, Michigan Central, and the lower peninsula will sell tickets at 2 cents per mile.

### Would Nullify All Work.

Senator Richmond has introduced a bill to wipe out the present medical registration board and create a new one, a council to consist of the members of the State board of education, the superintendent of public instruction and the presidents of three State boards of medical examiners. The bill would nullify all the work that has been accomplished in the last few years for the protection of the public in the practice of medicine. Senator Richmond's bill is an attempt to nullify the bill, but does not carry any weight in the Senate. The bill would nullify the law which provides for the present law so as to nullify it, it is still pending in the Senate committee and is expected to be made by various medical groups in opposition to it.

### Mortgage Reform Bill May Pass.

An incomplete copy of the House bill to reform the mortgage law, introduced by Representative L. C. Kell, has been introduced in the Senate. The bill would nullify the law which provides for the present law so as to nullify it, it is still pending in the Senate committee and is expected to be made by various medical groups in opposition to it.

### New Duties For Game Warden.

Representative L. C. Kell has introduced a bill to change the duties of the game warden's department by making that official the game warden also. It was originally intended to include the matter of timber and land trespassing in his department, but the land commissioner gave notice that he would fight if any attempt was made to take this plan away from him. The bill would also provide for an appropriation of \$100,000, but this was cut out as there is a plan on to fix up a schedule of shooting and fishing licenses with the idea of trying to make the department self-supporting. A bill is now on the general order in the Senate increasing the salary of the game warden to \$2,000 a year.

### Street Railway Bill Sleeps.

Senator Cady's bill to authorize any street railway company in the State to acquire by purchase or otherwise any franchise or any other street railway company in or out of the State that is not in competition with it, and had not the same terminal properties, provided a majority of the stockholders so vote, slumbers in the judiciary committee, and there are no signs of it being reported out.

### Salary Raise Debated.

The bill to increase the salary of the Supreme Court reporter from \$1,500 to \$2,500 a year promises to be one of the issues of the session, judging from the wrangles in the House over the proposition. The bill has passed the Senate. Some of the House lawyers think it is right to raise the reporter's salary and some are opposed. The bill would increase the salary of the reporter from \$1,500 to \$2,500 a year. The bill was introduced by Representative L. C. Kell and is now in the judiciary committee.

### Ask Double Allowance.

The university committee of the Senate and House held a joint hearing Thursday night, Feb. 16, on the proposition to increase the appropriations for the institution. President Angell was present and explained to the committee the needs of the university, especially referring to the dilapidated condition of some of the buildings and the extreme necessity of new buildings. The proposal is to increase the appropriation from approximately \$400,000 to \$500,000. The bill was introduced by Representative L. C. Kell and is now in the judiciary committee.

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## WILSON'S FISH STORY

"Speaking of strange experiences," said Wilson, as he lighted his pipe at the log fire, "I am reminded by Johnston's fishing story of a most extraordinary one that happened to me some 20 years ago."

"We were hunting moose in the Canadian woods. A howling blizzard had kept us in the lodge the greater part of the day, and tonight found us with our pipes in front of a crackling fire."

"At that time," went on Wilson, after we had settled ourselves in comfortable positions, "I was more in love with this whimsical old world than now, and every summer found me at one of the fashionable resorts on the Atlantic coast."

"I had arrived at the age when matrimony was merely a matter of finding a responsive heart, but of all the girls in the circles in which I moved not one appealed to me, nor was my friendship with any more than a passing one. Besides a good position in my uncle's banking house I had a comfortable annuity bestowed upon me by my father at his death, and as a result I did not look upon matrimony from a mercenary viewpoint."

"It was in August that I first met her. I was summering at a rather exclusive resort on the coast. She had come with her mother from a southern city, the name of which is no more in this story."

"Before a week had passed I felt that I had known her for years; at the end of a month she was the only person in my thoughts. I dreamed of her by night and was in misery when not in her company by day. Before her departure I resolved to tell her what was nearest my heart."

"It was the night previous to their leaving for the south. We had left the ballroom and strolled to the pier, which extended far into the water. The ocean was as of glass, and the moon cast a path of silver across its surface as far as the eye could reach. "What passed between us it is unnecessary to relate, but before we left the pier I took from my vest pocket a beautiful diamond solitaire. I had carried it for weeks. Without a word she held out her hand that I might place it upon her finger. Joy had completely unnerved me, for as I reached forth my hand trembled like an aspen. I had just touched the tip of her finger when the ring slipped from my grasp and fell with a tiny splash in the water. For a moment I stood as one turned to stone. Was it an ill omen? Did it mean that, after all, I was not to know the happiness of which I had dreamed? Suddenly I turned to her. She looked into my eyes, placed a hand on my arm and kissed me. And that kiss I knew to be as strong a seal as any ring ever made."

"Wouldn't it be funny if a fish should swallow the ring?" she said playfully, on our way back to the hotel. "That night the incident haunted me in dreams. I could see the ring dropping through the water, glittering and flashing as it went, when suddenly a fish darted up and closed its jaws over it with a snap."

"When I awoke a cold sweat was on my forehead."

"Well, to make a long story short, I sent her another ring, and the event was arranged for eight months later. Her letters, meanwhile, were filled with hope and encouragement, and the sweet simplicity of the true woman. I lived in them. They were meat and drink to my soul."

"Fate's decrees are fathomless. Five months later she was taken with fever and died. Then the world began to grow dim. Instead of spending my summers at the resorts I took to the woods. I found solace in nature."

"Five years later to a month—it was August, you will remember—relatives insisted upon my spending a few weeks with them at the resort where we first met. I found the place changed considerably, but the old pier was still standing."

"Now comes the strange part of my story. One day we were fishing from the pier close to the place where I had dropped the ring. Ill luck was with me from the start. For an hour I sat there, my mind flooded with memories, and caring little whether fish were biting or not."

"We were on the point of leaving when there came a terrific jerk on my line and I landed a beautiful seven-pound sea bass. As it lay struggling on the pier, its large mouth distended, there suddenly flashed through my mind the dream of five years before. It was just such a fish that I had seen in my dreams, the fish that had snatched its jaws over my diamond ring."

"We took it to the hotel and had it served for dinner. I had just placed a tender morsel in my mouth and closed my teeth on it when I bit on something hard. It felt round and smooth to the tongue. Unobserved I removed it from my mouth and carefully placed it beside my plate."

"Outside the blizzard had ceased. The flames had died down and weird shadows danced about the room. There was no sound, save the breathing of the men and the puffing of pipes. "What do you think it was?" asked Wilson, after a slight pause."

"The ring, of course," I replied. "You're wrong," replied Wilson, slowly, as he knocked the ashes from his pipe. "It was a piece of the backbone of the fish."

## MAKE A BLUFF.

If there isn't any pleasure  
"Waits for you beside the way,  
If there's not a thing to grin at  
In your journey day by day,  
If you've got excuse for kicking  
And for stirring up a row,  
Don't you do it! Don't you do it!  
Just be happy, anyhow."

Just be happy, just be happy;  
Take the fiddle and the bow,  
Smuggle it against your shoulder,  
Lumber up and let her go,  
Till the world is full of music  
And there's joy in every string,  
Till you get all outdoors laughing  
And you make the echoes sing.

It's a duty you are owing  
To the world to shake your feet,  
And to lift your voice in singing  
Till the music fills the street.  
If the world is dark and gloomy  
And you haven't got a friend,  
It's your duty to dissemble,  
It's your duty to pretend.

If you meet the world a-grinning,  
Then the world will grin at you,  
You can laugh the clouds to flinders  
Till the blue sky glimmers through;  
If you pretend you're happy,  
With your whole heart in the bluff,  
Then almost before you know it,  
You'll be happy sure enough!

—Houston Post.

## The Family Drug Store.

While the dweller in the city is wending his way toward the drug stores in search of "spring medicines" through the taking of which he hopes to be relieved of the many ailments the winter's food has left in his blood, the family in the village or on the farm can have their "specifics" right at hand, fresh from the laboratories of Nature, in doses warranted to cure, and leaving no bad effects or harmful complications from taking the wrong medicines. These medicines are not to be had without money and without price. No good thing is. But the price is within reach of the poorest, and while Nature does not "give credit," she makes the payment to suit all circumstances, if only one is willing to do the work she exacts. Here is a partial list of her "cures" warranted to do what they claim:

Banishment is a blood purifier; lettuce is a remedy for insomnia; spinach is a "clean sweep"; tomatoes are for a torpid liver; beets and potatoes are flesh builders; water cross is a tonic; onions and celery are for the nerves; parsley assists digestion; asparagus is a kidney cure; cucumbers aid digestion; cucumbers, internal and external, are complexion cleansers; parsnips are better than any sarsaparilla preparation; onions are a germicide and prevent malaria; garlic and leeks are good for the blood circulation; peas and beans are nutritive; and fresh formers; cabbage, if properly cooked, is a valuable medicine, possessing marked anti-scorbutic virtue; carrots are valuable for the complexion; if for nothing else. They should be eaten freely, cooked, or raw, every day.

These are but a few of Nature's wonderful, never-fail remedies, and every one who has a little piece of ground and a bundle of persistence and industry, can have them on most satisfactory terms. These be the days in which to make your bargain with Mother Earth, and if you do your part be assured she will do hers. Do not neglect to stock up the family drug store, for by so doing, you will save as well as earn more than money.

The Rocky Mountain News sounds a note of warning to those who flatter themselves that they can retain the benefits of protection for their own industries while withholding protection from the agricultural interests. The warning is especially addressed to the Sugar Trust, which is accused of an inclination to grab more than its share of the profits of beet sugar production at the expense of Colorado beet growers. The News reminds Mr. Havemeyer that the tariff on refined sugar is in force by the consent of the farmers of the United States, and that the farmers have the power to take off that tariff. Hence he had better deal fairly in the matter of the farmer's interest in sugar beet prices. The advertisement may well apply to others than Mr. Havemeyer. There are people urging free trade in "raw materials" that are the farmers' finished products; but with no idea of relinquishing protection for their finished products. They foolishly imagine that they can keep for themselves the protective tariff shield against foreign competition and at the same time expose American farmers to unrestricted competition. It can not be done. In the matter of votes the American farmers hold the balance of power. They are in a position to demand and compel a square deal.

Effort to Exterminate Sharks. The Behagel government pays a reward for sharks caught in the Ganges. This varies from 25 cents for small sharks to \$1.50 for those six feet long.

## Bathing a Baby.

Many fathers stand aloof from the common domestic duties, not because they are so busy or because they are not willing, but because of ignorance.

How many men are there who would not gladly drop their business at any time to stay at home and give the baby his bath, if they only knew how!

Yet in reality it is much simpler than it seems. Fill the bathtub full of any good water, first carefully removing all germs. Put your elbow occasionally to see if it is the right temperature. If ice forms on your elbow you may know the water is too cold. If there are blisters then it is too warm. Be moderate in all things.

Take the baby firmly by both feet and shake him loose from his blanket coverings, until you begin to see safety pins ahead. Then remove the safety pins with gas nippers, and unroll until the baby looms into sight.

Now, having put on your rubber coat put one hand firmly under the baby's chest and the other on his back, and launch him on the still waters. When he has kicked all the water out of the bathtub, renew as before.

Be careful, while you are manipulating the baby, to keep him face down. Otherwise, you would not be able to put water anywhere else but in his mouth—Tom Merson in the March Delinquent.

## THE RADIANT CHRIST.

The new religion lies in being kind; Faith works for men where once it knelt to pray.

Faith knows but hope where once it knew despair.

Faith counts its gain where once it reckoned loss. Ascending paths its patient feet have trod. Man looks within and finds salvation there.

Release the suffering Saviour from the cross

And give the waiting world its radiant God!

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox in the Delinquent for April.

## Learn Independence.

We hear a great deal about the modern girl developing manliness, independence, and losing her femininity. A great many people are much alarmed because girls are not trained, as formerly, in womanly gentleness.

It is a beautiful figure of speech to describe the feminine character as the ivy which clings to the masculine oak for support and in return covers and beautifies its hideous knots and scars.

But if the oak falls, what becomes of the ivy?

There is too much of this ivy clinging and beautifying idea in training girls. They should be taught that it is just as necessary to be independent, to be self supporting, as to be able to cling and beautify. In other words, they ought to be able to stand alone if the tree falls, and not go down with it. Success.

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OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, Grayling, Michigan, Oct. 16, 1906.

I hereby certify and return that after careful enquiry, I am unable to ascertain the whereabouts or postoffice address of Wm. R. McLaren, or the heirs, or the whereabouts or postoffice address of the executor, administrator or trustee or guardian of said Wm. R. McLaren.

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## In Chancery.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, Circuit Court, Chancery.

CHARLES W. WARD, Complainant.

William C. Ward, Franklin B. Ward and Geo. K. Root, as Executors and Trustees under the last will and testament of David Ward, deceased.

Ward, Henry C. Ward, Ward Root, Flora Ward Pay, Helen Ward Pelouze, Frederick Stockwell, Frederic L. Ward, Charles H. Perkins, Frank F. Chamberlain, Frederick Stockwell, as executor of the last will and testament of Elizabeth Ward, deceased, and the Railroad Company, a corporation.

Defendants.

In this cause it appearing from affidavit on file that the defendant Henry C. Ward is a resident of this state, but is absent therefrom and service cannot be had upon him within this state, and it further appearing from affidavit on file that the defendant Flora Ward, Helen Ward Pelouze and David Ward Root are not residents of this state, but are residents of the state of New York, on motion of complainant's solicitors.

It is ordered, that the appearance of said defendant Henry C. Ward, and of said non-residents Flora Ward, Helen Ward Pelouze and David Ward Root, be entered herein within four months from the date of this order, and in case of their appearance that they cause their answers to the bill to be served, and the complainant's solicitors, within twenty days after service on them of a copy of said bill, and notice of this order; and in default thereof said bill will be taken as confessed by said above named defendants, and

It is further ordered, that within twenty days the complainant cause a notice of this order to be published in the CRAWFORD AVALANCHE, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said county, and that said publication be continued therein, once in each week for six successive weeks, or that they cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said above named defendants at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for their appearance.

NELSON SHARPE, Circuit Judge.

JOHN H. PATTERSON, Solicitor for Complainant, Humphrey, Gray & Allen, mar 14-7t

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